



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 4417**
Masahiro UEKAWA et al. : Docket No. 2001-1018A
Serial No. 09/918,829 : Group Art Unit 2839
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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated January 6, 2004 of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 17-26, 28, 29 and 31-36.

A timely response to the final rejection has been filed.

The extension fee of \$950.00 for a three month extension of time is submitted with the attached Petition for Extension of Time.

The Appeal Fee of \$330.00 (other than Small Entity)
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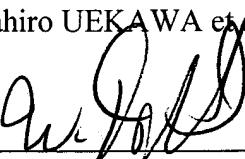
Small entity status of this application is established by the verified statement under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 which
 is enclosed.

has been previously submitted.

The Appeal Fee is not required since it was paid in a prior appeal.

Respectfully submitted,

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